

## [CA-293690] Requesting Flexibility to Turn On/Off Automatic Annual Clothing Allowance Payments for Specific Placement Types

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<b>Request:</b>	Requesting the flexibility to turn On/Off the Automatic Annual Clothing Allowance Payment for Specific Placement Types as need. This would allow the counties to have the clothing allowance issued per county guidelines/policy in any given Fiscal year.
<b>Recommendation:</b>	Counties review and update Clothing Allowance Rate eligibility annually based on local policy, with issuance varying by placement type – so it is not a “one size fits all.” Currently, CalSAWS only excludes STRTPS placements, Vendor Types of Group Homes, and Hospitals in the batch process (SCR <a href="#">CA-242611</a> ). Santa Cruz County’s clothing allowance eligibility changed this year—Kin-GAP and NRLG are no longer eligible, but FFAs are—but because CalSAWS cannot turn automatic clothing allowance issuances on/off by placement type at the county level, we had to disable all automation and issue every clothing allowance payment manually. This manual process increases workload and error risk. Providing county-level control to turn automatic issuance on/off by placement type would allow timely adaptation to eligibility changes, ensure payments go only to eligible placements, and maintain efficiency, accuracy, and compliance.
<b>Committee:</b>	Foster Care/Kin GAP/AAP

<b>Attachments</b>
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